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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

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CONCISE EXPLANATION OF

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Applicants are submitting herewith on Form PTO-1449, a listing of the documents cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in parent application Serial No. 08/948,216, filed October 9, 1997. The relevance of these documents is explained in the parent application.

As provided in 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of the documents are not being provided since they were previously cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in parent application Serial No. 08/948,216 filed October 9, 1997.

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) before the mailing of the first Office Action on the merits.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialled copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. §609.

Respectfully submitted,

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